

Cohort Studies

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Cohort Studies

I. Characteristics

- A. Measure occurrence of illness (or other outcome event) in persons of differing exposure status
- B. Follow-up of study subjects may occur prior or subsequent to time of initiation of study (retrospective or prospective cohort study)
- C. No random assignment of study subjects

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II. Identification of Cohort

- A. Geographic
- B. Special exposure groups
- C. Special resources for cohort identification and/or follow-up

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III. Sources of Data on Exposure Status

- A. Records
- B. Interview or questionnaire
- C. Measurements on
 - 1) Individuals
 - 2) Environment

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IV. Comparison Subjects

- A. Unexposed members of same cohort
- B. Unexposed members of other cohorts
- C. Population rates

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V. Follow-up

- A. Methods
- B. Completeness

VI. Outcome Definition and Assessment

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